

REMARKS

This Amendment is fully responsive to the final Office Action dated June 12, 2009, issued in connection with the above-identified application. Claims 66-89 are pending in the present application. With this Amendment, claim 89 has been amended; and claims 79-83 and 86 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter therein. No new matter has been introduced by the amendments made to the claims. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claim 89 has been objected to because of a minor typographical error. Specifically, claim 89 recites "recoding medium," which should read "recording medium." The Applicants have amended claim 89 to replace the phrase "recoding medium" with the phrase "recording medium." Withdrawal of the objection to claim 89 is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claim 66-78, 84, 85 and 87-89 have been deemed allowable if amended to overcome the claim objection and the claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. 101 and 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. The Applicants respectfully point out that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 101 and 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, have been addressed by the response filed on February 25, 2009 (see Office Action, pg. 2, item 3). Additionally, as noted above, claim 89 has been amended to address the claim objection. Therefore, claims 66-78, 84, 85 and 87-89 should now be in condition for allowance.

In Office Action, claims 79, 80, 83 and 86 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Arisaka et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2002/0165987, hereafter "Arisaka") in view of Javed et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2002/0162112, hereafter "Javed"); and claims 81 and 82 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Arisaka in view of Javed, and further in view Milton (U.S. Publication No. 2002/00591200).

As noted above, claims 79-83 and 86 have been canceled, thereby rendering the above rejection to those claims moot. Thus, the only claims remaining in the present application are claims 66-78, 84, 85 and 87-89, which have been deemed allowable if amended to overcome the claim objection and the claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. 101 and 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. The rejections under 35 U.S.C. 101 and 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, have been

addressed by the response filed on February 25, 2009 (see Office Action, pg. 2, item 3); and claim 89 has been amended to address the claim objection.

In light of the above, the Applicants respectfully submit that all the pending claims are patentable over the prior art of record. The Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the claim objection and the claim rejections presented in the outstanding Office Action and pass this application issue. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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